IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Page 1, line 4, under the CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, please amend the paragraph starting there-at as follows:

"This non-provisional United States (U.S.) patent application claims the benefit of and is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/330,462 filed on December 26, 2002 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., entitled "DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES", now allowed, which claims the benefit of and is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/939,403 filed on August 23, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., entitled "DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES", now issued as U.S. Patent. No. 6,692,159, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. ~~60/---,----~~ 60/313,232 filed on August 16, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., titled "DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES"; and also claims the benefit of and is a continuation in part (CIP) of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/896,695, filed on June 28, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al., titled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PUSH BUTTON RELEASE FIBER OPTIC MODULES"~~, and also~~ which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/283,843 filed on April 14, 2001 by inventors Liew Chuang Chiu et al. entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PUSH BUTTON RELEASE FIBER OPTIC MODULES"; ~~,~~ and

this non-provisional U.S. patent application is also related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/939,413 ~~--/-------,----~~, filed on August 23, 2001 by Liew C. Chiu et al., titled "PULL-ACTION DE-LATCHING MECHANISMS FOR FIBER OPTIC MODULES"~~, having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P017X~~; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/656,779, filed on September 7, 2000 by Cheng Ping

Wei et al. ~~having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P002XX2~~; U.S.
Patent Application Serial No. 09/321,308, filed on May 27, 1999
by Wenbin Jiang et al. ~~having Attorney Docket No. 003918.P002X~~;
and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/320,409, filed on May
26, 1999 by Wenbin Jiang et al. ~~having Attorney Docket No.~~
~~003918.P002~~, <u>now U.S. Patent No. 6,213,651 B1,</u> all of which are
to be assigned to E2O Communications, Inc."

     Page 4, line 9, please amend the paragraph starting there-
at as follows:

     "Figure 4<u>A</u> is an exploded view ~~for~~ <u>from</u> the rear of an
embodiment of a hot pluggable fiber optic module."

     Page 4, line 11, prior to "Figure 5 ...", please insert the
following two paragraphs:

     "Figure 4B is a magnified view of a side of a male
electrical connector to provide hot pluggability.

     Figure 4C is a magnified view of another side of the male
electrical connector to provide hot pluggability."

     Page 5, line 1, prior to "Figures 10A0-10E ...", please
insert the following paragraph:

     "Figures 9A-9I are various views of an embodiment of a
kicker-actuator for fiber optic modules."

     Page 5, line 1, please amend the paragraph starting there-
at as follows:

     "Figures 10A-<u>10G</u> ~~10E~~ are views of a subassembly of the
fiber optic modules <u>of Figures 7A-7D illustrating the</u> pull-
actuator of Figures ~~7A-7F~~ <u>8A-8G and the kicker-actuator of</u>
<u>Figures 9A-9I assembled</u> ~~coupled~~ to the nose receptacle ~~of~~

~~Figures 8A-8E and the optical port of Figures 9A-9E of fiber optic modules~~."

Page 42, line 15, please amend the paragraph starting there-at as follows:

"Figures 29A-29I illustrate yet another alternative embodiment of the pivot-arm actuator 2204'. In this embodiment the pivot-arm actuator 2204' further includes a spring 2912. According to various embodiments the spring 2912 may be formed from the same material as the pivot-arm actuator 2204' or it may be a separate component coupled to the pivot-arm actuator 2204'. The spring 2912 may be any kind of spring including a coil spring, leaf spring, carriage spring, compression spring, conical spring, helical spring, volute spring, spiral spring, scragged spring, and other well known types of springs. <u>The pivot-arm actuator 2204' is pivotally coupled to the body of the nose receptacle 2200' by means of a pivoting pin 2906</u>."